

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the paragraph beginning on Page 6, Line 3 as follows:

Although it is shown that the color blend for a particular tab 20 is applied to the tab 20 and the headlap portion 16 of the overlay member 12, it will be appreciated that less expensive dark or black granules may be applied to the headlap portion 16, rather than the more expensive color granules because the headlap portion 16 will be covered when overlapping successive course of shingles 10 are applied to the roof. In addition, each tab 20 may consist of the same or different color blend that corresponds to a color in a particular pattern unit, as described in co-assigned, co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No.09/292,488 filed on April 14, 1999, herein incorporated by reference. Applying shingles to the roof using a particular pattern provides for an attractive, aesthetically pleasing roof appearance. One specific configuration incorporated by reference from Patent Application Serial No.09/292,488 (now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,253,512) includes the configuration of Fig. 1 of the patent application, which shows that the predominant tab color of the overall roof covering occurs in 55 percent of the tabs. Another specific configuration incorporated by reference is that shown in Fig. 2, which shows that the predominant tab color occurs in 55 percent of the tabs. Yet another specific configuration incorporated by reference is that shown in Fig. 3, which shows that the predominant tab color occurs in 58 percent of the tabs. Another specific configuration incorporated by reference is that shown in Fig. 4, which shows a predominant tab color occurring in 55 percent of the tabs. An additional specific configuration incorporated by reference is that shown in Fig. 6, which shows that the predominant tab color occurs in 56 percent of the tabs.